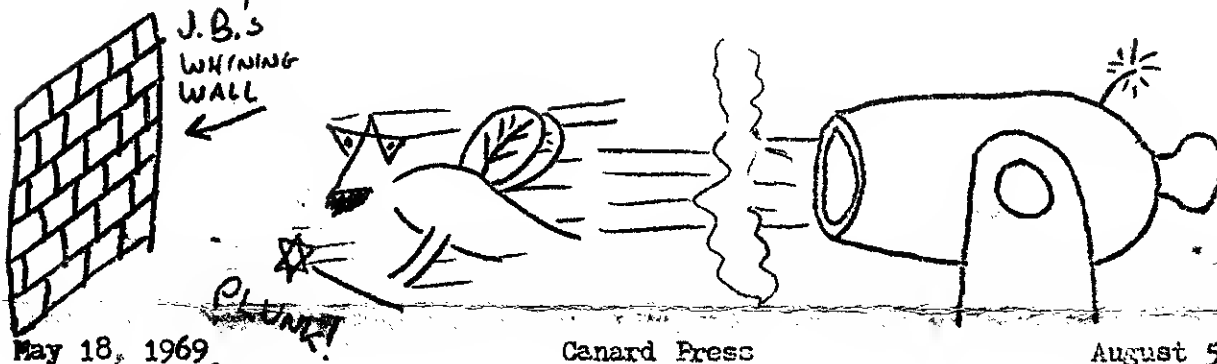


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Vol. 2 # 2 contains some good articles and some questionable ones. "LATEST TRENDS" & "WON DIPLOMACY ANALYSIS" are based on material that is 6 months to 1 year old. THOUGHTS ON DIPLOMACY VII should really have been in Vol 2 #1. The prolonged monologue of Lew Pulsipher entitled NORTH AMERICAN DIPLOMACY PLAYERS SURVEY 42 seems to be a sermon in which the author hated to be interrupted by the opinions of the 171 people who answered the survey. Otherwise the issue was very good, well worth \$4/4!

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After a 10 month absence Wilson has come back--back with the same illustrations we've seen for 3 to four years in the TD and Wilson--back with same reports that are out of date--back with press that is in some cases 8 months old--back with articles that are little better than fair and of little diplomacy interest. What you physically get is worth 12/45 but its contents barely make it.

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Scott's first anniversary issue is really excellent! It contains many humorous and interesting dialogues and articles. Clearly one of the year's 10 best single issues!

ast, but far from [unclear], is a letter from someone (the letter is unsigned) who is leading up a group of "united" individuals in a service called the DIPLOMACY RATING SERVICE. This "service" is a [unclear] play (and thus meaningless) but these nameless people will rate your game only for \$10. Isn't that kind of then? \$10 game per hour could be \$300 for their pockets. I don't know there are 5 current rating systems in force and all rate games that can be no charge to anyone. To top this off they use the GM to calculate the rating for them! In short this is a rip-off and I urge all publishers to avoid it like the plague!

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An update of this rating system, which gives +6 for a win, +4 for 2nd down to -6 for 7th and corrects its readout for number of games played according to the formula;

$R = 50 + 50 \left(\frac{S}{6N} \right) (1 - \frac{1}{2^N})$ where S is the cumulative score, and N the number of games played,

appears in DIPLOMACY WORLD Vol. 2 #2 (W. Buchanan RR3, Box 324, Lebanon Ind. 46052 \$4/4 quarterly, photocost. reduced 40 pages) as reported by Jeff Power.

I have culled these bits of data in that system (although this is NOT the way the data is compared in that system);

Top new players (Less than 10 completed games) Top Old Pros (10 or more completed games)

Rank	Score	Games	Name (Wins)	Score	Games	Name (Wins)
1	97.2	9	Walt Buchanan (7W)	96.2	11	B. Ver Floeg (8W)
2	93.0	4	Tom Berendt (3W)	94.2	10	M. Rocamora (6W)
3	90.4	5	Don Pitsch (3W)	88.2	12	J. Beshara (7W)
4	89.1	4	Lee Childs (2W)	81.8	28	R. Kelly (5W)
5	87.5	2	M. Beyerlein (2W)	80.9	14	L. Pulsipher (6W)
6	86.4	3	J. VanDeGraaf (W)	80.6	12	T. Eller (6W)
7	85.5	5	J. Boyer (2W)	77.2	27	D. Beyerlein (11W)
8	84.0	3	Mike Beavers (W)	77.1	35	A. Phillips (10W)
9	84.0	3	Paul Wood (W)	74.3	12	J. Power (4W)
10	81.4	6	Elliot Lipson (2W)	73.4	16	E. Verheiden (2W)
11	81.2	2	M. Lariton (W)	73.3	10	T. Tilson (4W)
12	81.2	2	Duncan Smith (W)	69.8	21	Gene Proshitz (6W)
13	80.1	6	Joel Klein (W)	68.2	22	Len Lakofka (5W)
14	79.5	7	John Stevens (W)	67.6	43	Hal Naus (4W)
15	79.2	3	Terry Knowles (W)	66.7	10	Bob Johnson (W)
16	79.2	3	Sam Nicronberg (W)	65.8	10	Dave Johnston (2W)
17	79.1	5	Mark Tonnesen	65.5	21	Steve Brooks (4W)
18	78.7	9	Arnold Vagts (W)	60.6	15	Herb Barents
19	78.1	2	Paul Schwartz	60.5	62	Edi Birsan (12W)
20	77.3	4	B. Ackerman (W)	59.4	24	John Smythe (8W)

(These are 78 Nov 1974 and 12/22 before)

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There are three games currently going on in the lobby with analysis. They are; 1974OL with the following players (last listing first);

Score	Player	Gains	Points	Pen	01	02	03	04	05	
64.5	Callahan	3	+ 6	1	Austria	5	6	7	5	4
52.5	Key	10	+ 3	1	Italy	4	4	4	4	5
68.2	Lalorika	22	+ 53	5	France	5	6	7	9	10
60.5	Dixon	62	+ 13	12	England	4	2	1	-	
97.2	Buchanan	9	+ 31	7	Russia	6	7	4	5	6
---	Anderson	---	---	---	Turkey	4	3	4	5	4
80.6	Ellor	12	+ 44	6	Germany	5	6	7	6	4
66.25	24CL	118	+230	33						

Current positions as of Spring 1906

Austria (4) A TBI, SER, VES, FID

England and cont

France (10) A, PKG, MUN, HOL, ROMH, MAR, P, LYON, REN, HELIC, NAO, WES
Germany (2) A, PKG, MUN, HOL, ROMH, MAR, P, LYON, REN, HELIC, NAO, WES

Germany (3) A 900, 2 BAC, 1000.

Italy (5) 4 Fied. Gre, 7 NLP, 10H, 2H

Russia (6) A SEV, UGR, GEL, MOR, ITN, P SUF

Turkey (3) A 344, 2 344, 3 344

2025 Lease for 2025

	Score	Player	Games	Points	Reb.	01	02	03	04
A	68.2	Lakoffka	22	483	5	5	7	9	11
B	94.2	Reumann	10	453	6	4	4	4	6
F	87.8	Holcomb	5	411	2	4	4	3	2
G	65.5	Brooks(s)	21	409	4	5	7	7	6
I	60.5	Bisson	62	478	10	4	3	3	3
N	90.4	Pitsoch	5	425	3	6	6	5	3
T	89.5	Heyerlein(U)	2	412	2	4	3	3	3
	67.45	75A	127	456	15				

The game appears on a season for Nelson Easie in MOOSE ARCHIVES, Wlat Buchanan, R 5
Box 324 Lebanon, Ind. 46052 10/82 and with analysis in DIPLOMACY WORLD @4/84

Current positions as of Spring 1905

Australia (11) A RUWIR, TYO, ROM, SYD, GAT, PERU, TUN, SER, BUL, F ION, GRE

England (6) A PIC. V. HLO. CHN, HWY, PCH, NCH,

France (2) A Burg, P 1155

Germany (6) A MUN, ENR, ROE, WAP, W FIRM, ROE.

Italy (3)

RUSSIA (3) A WAR, 1941, 1942, 1943

Turkey (3) A CON, F ELD, A

1974HW WITH ONE FOLLOWS PLATE.

SCORE	PLAYER	CHIPS	POTIONS	WINS	01	02	03	04
73.4	Verheiden	16	445	2	3	2	2	
73.7	Vagls	9	431	1	5	6	7	
66.7	Horton	9	418	3	4	5	5	
73.3	Kilmon	10	424	1	5	5	5	
60.5	Barnan	32	408	2	5	4	5	
73.8	Johnson, B.	9	410	3	6	6	2	
90.5	Atuch	4	411	1	4	6	6	

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Austria, Verheiden/2/ A VIE(S) a BUD-til

England, Vagts/7/ A RUHR(S) GER A MUN, F SKAG + F NTH (C) a edi-SWE, a nwy-STP, a stp-MOS, f swe-BOTH

France, Horton/5/ F PIED(S) A TUS, A TUS(S) F PIED, f Lyon-WES, F TYRR-tun, A GAS H

Germany, Tilsol/5/ A SIL(S) a pru-WAR, A BOH-gal, f bal-LVN, A MUN H

Italy, Birsan/5/ A ROM(S) A VEN, A TRI (S) A VEN, F TUN (S) TUR f gre-ION, A VEN(S) A ROM, f alb-ADR

Russia, Johnson/2/ A GAL(S) a war-ukr/D+A/

Turkey, Pitsch/8/NMR, SCU--see analysis--

A SER(S) ITA A TRI, A RUM(S) a sev-UKR, a con-BUL, a ank-ARM, a arm-SEV, f bla-CON, f gre-ION

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Value Grid, Spring 1904 (C) L. W. Lakofka 1975

pieces	A	E	F	G	I	R	T
A BUD	$+\frac{1}{2}+\frac{1}{4}+\frac{1}{4}$				$-\frac{1}{2}$		$-\frac{1}{4}-\frac{1}{4}$
A VIE	$+\frac{1}{4}$				$-\frac{1}{4}$		
A SWE		$+\frac{1}{4}$		$-\frac{1}{4}$			
A RUHR		$+\frac{1}{4}+\frac{1}{4}+\frac{1}{4}$		$-2(3/8)-\frac{1}{4}$			
A STP		$-1/8$					
A MOS		$+\frac{5}{8}+\frac{1}{4}+\frac{1}{4}$		$-\frac{1}{4}$		$-3/4$	$-\frac{1}{4}$
F SKAG		$+\frac{1}{4}$		$-\frac{1}{4}$			
F BOTH							
F NTH		$+\frac{1}{4}$		$-\frac{1}{4}$			
F WES			$+\frac{1}{4}$		$-\frac{1}{4}$		
A TUS			$+\frac{1}{4}+\frac{1}{4}$		$-2(3/8)$		
F TYRR			$+\frac{1}{4}+\frac{1}{4}+\frac{1}{4}$		$-2(3/8)-\frac{1}{4}$		
A GAS			$-1/8$				
F PIED							
A SIL				$+1/8$			
A WAR		$-\frac{1}{4}$		$+5/8+\frac{1}{4}$		$-3/4$	
A BOH	$-3/8$			$+\frac{1}{4}$			
F LVN		$-\frac{1}{4}$		$+\frac{1}{4}$			
A MUN				$-\frac{1}{4}$			
A ROM					$-\frac{1}{4}$		
F ADR					$+\frac{1}{4}+\frac{1}{4}$		
A TRI	$-2(3/8)$						
F TUN					$-\frac{1}{4}$		
A VEN						$+\frac{1}{4}+\frac{1}{4}+\frac{1}{4}+\frac{1}{4}$	$-\frac{1}{4}$
A GAL	$-2(3/8)$			$-\frac{1}{4}$			
A BUL							
a ARM							$+\frac{1}{4}$
a SER	$-3/8$						$+\frac{1}{4}$
A RUM	$-3/8$						$+\frac{1}{4}$
a SEV		$-\frac{1}{4}$					$+\frac{1}{4}+\frac{1}{4}$
A UKR		$-\frac{1}{4}$		$-\frac{1}{4}$			$-\frac{1}{4}$
f con							$+\frac{1}{4}+\frac{1}{4}$
F ION					$-3/8-\frac{1}{4}$		
Pieces	2	7	5	5	5	1	8
S 04	.375	8.750	6.375	3.875	2.250	.500	8.500
S 03	.375	7.750	5.125	3.500	3.875	4.000	6.750
SC change	0	+1	0	0	+1	-4	+2
Change in Potential	0	0	+1.250	+ .375	-2.625	+.500	- .250

1974 US analysis

Overall View

There is a three player system: Germany that is in since until some criteria has been met (1/2 of years, or elimination of 1/2 of some) being the most likely the one. Germany is still in peril and only this agreement is saving him.

In the east Turkey has decided to prop up Italy and the two of them may well move into a stalemate stance at any time. If the east loses Tur while gaining Vie & Tri they can stalemate the west--it will be very close.

Specific Country moves;
A) With no apparent ally Austria can only strive to grow by recapturing Trieste. Obviously he will NOT get it and unless he is propped by the west he will be out by 1905.

Of course he can negotiate for a six way draw but I don't see six votes for a draw now.
B) England still continues to muddle along adhering to some agreement with Germany. It should be noted that Engl and does need Germany for the stalemate. German centers are not good enough because by the time England can redeploy new units in Germany

Austria will be overrun and a blockade formed. England is deploying very heavily in the north and there is nothing to be gained there. England has gotten Moscow (although fighting S.O. is one thing, fighting the actual player is another.) but can not gain another center without attacking Germany or France. If England is content to not grow then this will be a poor demonstration game. The game will show that Arnold Vagts is a 'cartelist' (See Colhamer's article) and not necessarily a strong player (see my rebuttal to Colhamer in LD 56). England's win plan must call for breaking the eastern stalemate first and then allying with France or Germany towards a win. That is a VERY dangerous game plan unless Don or Tim will sign an agreement to take a meaningless 2nd!

F) France is just holding his own in the south. A Gas must have Almer's glue on its feet because Don refuses to put it into battle. Don needs an army in Pied but he will never get one at this rate. The position calls for bold play but Don is not showing any. F Lyon-Wes, F Pied-Lyon, a Tus-Rom/Ven/Pied, a Gas-Maz, F Tyrr-Nap/(s)Tus-Rom/ is clearly stronger. If Italy goes to Pied or dislodges Tus France still has very good play because Pied can dislodge to Tyo, an equally strong position. If he stays in Tus then F Lyon(S) A Tus, A Tus(s) A Maz-Pied becomes very good. He has not won Tunis and he is not progressing rapidly enough to break a stalemate. France will not even have the stab at Naples if Adr can be allowed to get to Apu. The stalemate will be easy if France continues to play so conservatively!

G) Germany has nothing to lose if England refuses to attack. Now that he has Warsaw he can boldly move south into Tyo and support himself to Galacia. Why not? England has him by the #212s so there is not point in going backward. A War + A Boh (S) A sil-Sall. A Han-Tyo is expected for the fall. If Tim makes those moves, and England does not stab, the east will find it almost impossible to deadlock the game without including Austria. Germany is playing for a draw but in Vagts holds back too long there is a slim win possibility.

H) Italy took a gamble leaving Naples open but it paid off. He could lose Naples in the fall on the wrong game even Rome/Naples. Since Turkey is holding up Tri the suit to ADH will be to hold Ven or to go to Apu. Tunis is safe but Ion is tied down and can not offer direct aid. Therefore Italy's problems are going to grow more rapidly than solutions. Only the lack of descent of French/German play is keeping Rome afloat. One wrong guess and Italy (and eventually Turkey) is doomed.

I) There is nothing to be said. G I can aid the west and then Russia will be no more. G I can aid the east to the west. If Germany supports A War then Russia just fades away and whatever he does won't mean a thing. At least Eric can have a good laugh at the fact that for Russia's legitimacy has come home to roost.

J) Turkey has played a move (and I know why--it is not lack of game interest. Don is a new father and has also gotten a new job. The case that lack of time is the cause of the poor play is still in the air through stated claims. His position is planned by under not forget to be delicate. There is changing and the world will see it. Turkey is ready to do it. The game is slipping & on Turkey's game, however, it is not a good game. It is a game for a game.